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Contract #: 04-0120F4Cty: SF/ALA Rte: 80 PM: 13.2/13.9File #: 1.28**WELDING INSPECTION REPORT****Resident Engineer:** Casey, William**Address:** 333 Burma Road**City:** Oakland, CA 94607**Report No:** WIR-029321**Date Inspected:** 18-Mar-2013**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 700**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1730**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site

CWI Name:	Andrew Keech and William Sherwood			CWI Present:	Yes	No
Inspected CWI report:	Yes	No	N/A	Rod Oven in Use:	Yes	No N/A
Electrode to specification:	Yes	No	N/A	Weld Procedures Followed:	Yes	No N/A
Qualified Welders:	Yes	No	N/A	Verified Joint Fit-up:	Yes	No N/A
Approved Drawings:	Yes	No	N/A	Approved WPS:	Yes	No N/A
				Delayed / Cancelled:	Yes	No N/A
Bridge No:	34-0006			Component:	SAS Tower & OBG	

Summary of Items Observed:

Caltrans Office of Structural Material (OSM) Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) Joselito Lizardo was present at the Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) job site as requested to perform observations on the welding of components for the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) Project.

At OBG 13W-PP124-PP127-W2 top deck plate diverter bar, QA observed ABF welders Lin E. Yun and Guo Wu Chen perform fillet welding on 2 1/4" wide x 3/8" thick diverter bar to the deck plate. The welders were welding in 2F (horizontal position) using 1/8" diameter E7018H4R electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-F1200A. The diverter bar was originally fillet welded both on sides of the bar to the top deck plate but was removed using carbon air arc and ground smooth due to interference with the safety bridge railing. During welding, ABF Quality Control (QC) William Sherwood was noted monitoring the welding parameters of the welders. The fillet welding of the diverter bar was not completed on this date and will continue on the next scheduled shift.

At OBG 12E-PP116.5-E2 deck access hole outside, QA randomly observed the ABF/JV welder Mike Jimenez perform the Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) butt joint. The welder was observed manually welding in the 1G (flat) position utilizing a Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 5/32" diameter E7018H4R electrode and using the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-1040C. The joint being welded is a single-V-groove butt joint welded with steel backing bar. The ABF Quality Control (QC) Inspector, William Sherwood, was observed monitoring the welding parameters. This QA randomly verified the welding parameters and was noted as 170 amperes which appeared to conform with the contract requirements. The welding was not completed during this shift and will continue on the next scheduled shift.

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At Tower Base Elevation Electro Slag Welding (ESW) of the T-joint #W-041 location 'S' (face A), QA randomly ABF welder Eric Sparks perform SMAW repair welding due exploratory excavation that was noted with linear indications. The excavation dimensions were noted as 420mm long x 55mm width x 39mm deep. The welder was observed welding in the 3G (vertical) position utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with a 5/32" diameter E7018H4R electrode using the welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-1000-Repair Rev. 2. The excavation and the adjacent base metal were preheated to the minimum preheat temperature of 175°F using the propylene gas torch from face A and Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System with the heater blanket placed on the other side of the plate. During the shift, ABF QC Andrew Keech was observed monitoring the welding and checking the welding parameters which were noted as 170 amperes. During the shift, the weld repair at ESW location 'S' face A Y=7030mm to Y=7450mm was completed and the welder has moved to T-joint #-045 location 'F' face A and performed grinding on the excavation prior Magnetic Particle Testing (MT). After the welding completion of the repair, ABF personnel performed the Post Weld Heat Treatment (PWHT) to 350 degrees Fahrenheit and then cooled down to 75 degree per hour.

During MT, there was 10mm long linear indication that was noted at Y=7435mm at 14mm depth of excavation. The welder continued grinding until the end of the shift.



Summary of Conversations:

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No significant conversation occurred today.

Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact SMR Gary Thomas 916-764-6027, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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QA Reviewer
